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### **TRAFFIC SAFETY PROJECTS ANNOUNCED FOR CENTRAL CALIFORNIA**

**\$1.6 million for 16 grant projects announced at state-sponsored summit**

**San Diego** – Maria Contreras-Sweet, Secretary of the State's Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, today announced the start of 16 grant projects – totaling \$1.6 million – for fiscal year 2000 in the Central California region.

Secretary Contreras-Sweet made the announcement at "Super Summit 2000," the country's largest state-sponsored traffic safety conference, which is being held this week in San Diego by the State Office of Traffic Safety. More than 800 traffic safety professionals and advocates, law enforcement, and community based organization representatives are attending the event.

For the entire state, Secretary Contreras-Sweet announced the official start of 186 projects, totaling \$31 million dollars for traffic safety. The announcement comes on the heels of the Traffic Congestion Relief Plan that was introduced by Governor Gray Davis earlier this month.

"Increasing the safety of California's motorists, passengers and pedestrians is among the Governor's top transportation priorities," said Secretary Contreras-Sweet, the keynote speaker today at the 15th annual Super Summit.

The Office of Traffic Safety – within the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency – administers the California Traffic Safety Program, which is designed to reduce deaths, injuries and property damage that result from traffic accidents. Activities include development of the California Highway Safety Plan; administration of funds to state and local governmental entities in the form of federal grants; and coordinating statewide traffic safety programs and activities.

A list of the region's grant projects and the dollar amounts is attached.



## Proposals for FFY 2000

<u>OTS Region</u>	<u>Proposal Number</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Total Recommended</u>
<b>4 - Central California Region</b>			
	EM0024	Mariposa County Fire Department <i>Mariposa County EMS Highway Rescue Program</i>	\$ 138,350.00
	EM0027	Mountain-Valley Emergency Medical Services <i>Project SAFE</i>	35,750.00
	EM0049	Selma Fire Department <i>Ambulance Replacement and Safety Program</i>	38,000.00
	OP0002	Amador Co. Health & Human Services <i>Car Seat Program</i>	15,000.00
	PS0014	Kern County Superintendent of Schools <i>Share the Road</i>	225,000.00
	PS0032	Stanislaus Co. Department of Education <i>On The Safe Side</i>	295,791.00
	PS0035	Visalia Police Department <i>Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program</i>	95,000.00
	PT0014	Dinuba Police Department <i>Traffic Safety Program</i>	28,000.00
	PT0028	Kingsburg Police Department <i>Radar Equipment</i>	21,500.00
	PT0041	Oakdale Police Department <i>Making Streets Safe in Oakdale</i>	136,200.00
	PT0046	Parlier Police Department <i>Radar Speed Display Trailer Program</i>	18,000.00
	PT0060	Selma Police Department <i>Comprehensive Traffic Safety Program</i>	37,000.00
	PT0062	Sutter Creek Police Department <i>Traffic Safety Program</i>	36,150.00

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	PT0064	Tulare Police Department <i>Comprehensive Traffic Safety Program</i>	245,835.00
	RS0027	Tracy Public Works Department <i>Traffic Collision Management System</i>	49,500.00
	TR0015	Fresno Police Department <i>Fresno Area Complete Traffic System (FACTS)</i>	<u>216,310.00</u>
<b>Sub-Total Region 4</b>			<b>\$1,631,386.00</b>